

Pension Application for William Ball

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New Jersey, New York

Declaration, in order to obtain the benefit of the act of Congress, passed June 7, 1832.

State of New Jersey

County of Morris SS.

On this 27th day of July personally appeared, in open court, before the Judges of the Inferior the court of Common Pleas now sitting William Ball a resident of [?] of Hanover in the County of Morris and State of New Jersey, aged seventy eight years, who being first duly sworn according to law, doth, on his oath, make the following declaration, in order to obtain the benefit of the Act of Congress, passed June 7, 1832.

That he entered the service of the United States, under the following named officers and served as herein stated: That in the month of May in the year of our Lord 1776 this applicant then residing in the City of New York, volunteered as one of the Militia of New York under Capt. O'Bael & served under him about two weeks & then under Capt. Egbert for one months, was engaged during this time in guarding that station & in building fortifications. That in July of the same year he enlisted in the army of the United States with Capt. Laberton for five months and served in the second regiment of the New York Line under Col. Malcomb and General Scott was engaged with the troops at the time the American forces relocated from Long Island to the City & from there we marched to Kingsbridge & was at the battle at that place, from Kings bridge we marched to White Plains & was in the Battle there from there we marched to Peekskill & crossed to Kings [?] & was there discharged.. I then went to Hanover in Morris County, New Jersey [???] place where I remained about two weeks, and was then drafted in the Militia of New Jersey to serve monthly tours and serve under such drafts as a private soldier as follows under Capt. Ritchell at [?] one month under Capt. Ward at Elizabeth Town and was under Capt. Halls at Elizabethtown on month under Capt. Henman at ElizabethTosn one month under Finias Farran Elizabeth Town one month under Capt. Baily at Morris Town two months under Capt. Carter Ward at Newark one month under Capt. Post at Red bank one month under Capt. Lyon at Monmouth one month under Capt. Squire at Newarkone month under Capt. Backover at Hackensack one month under Capt. Tuttle at Springfield one month which was the last month of his service as a drafted soldier. The companies in which he served belonged to the regiment of Col. Hathaway, Morris County, Winns General. This applicant was also frequently called out upon alarms and served on such occasions in all he thinks about three months he also served as guard at MorrisTown for two weeks—making his service in all as a Militia man twenty one months and as an inlisted soldier five months. This applicant was in the following Battles & Skirmishes, [?] at Kingsbridge, White Plains at Quebec, some under General Wines and assisted in guarding the prisoners there taken to Genl Maxwell quarters at Westfield, also at the Battle of Manmouth, at which times Generals Washington, Lee, and Maxwell commanded the regular troops. I do not now recollect the names of any of the regular officers who were with the troops where I served except as above named or of the names of any of the regiment I was born on the 4th of January 1755 at Hanover in the County of Morris New Jersey, I have no record of my age from the time I left the service I have & still do reside in Hanover in Morris County. I have never received any written discharge from the service, the Rev'd Aaron Condict & Johon Woodruff will testify as to my character for varacity & their belief of my services as a soldier of the revolution, I have no [?]

He hereby relinquishes every claim whatever to a pension or annuity except the present, and declares that his name is not on the pension roll of the agency of any state, is only on that of the agency of the State of New Jersey. Sworn to and subscribed the day and year aforesaid. (Signed) William Ball.
Stephen Vail